

FEDERAL AGENT COMES TO DIRECT SEED CAMPAIGN

State Council of Defense to Have Aid in Handling Situation That Promises Many Difficulties.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
Lincoln, Neb., Feb. 3.—(Special.)—The State Council of Defense is expecting a government agent Monday who will assist in obtaining a distribution of seed corn adequate to meet the demands of farmers the coming season.

Arnold Martin of Central City has been spending considerable time visiting different counties in an effort to locate the best seed and has so far been successful in locating a large quantity, but the difficulty will come in keeping it in the state and in the localities where it will be needed. The government agent is expected to assist in controlling the situation.

Recently a farmer in one locality who has several bushels of good seed corn applied to the council for permission to sell the same, but his request was denied. Demands are coming into the state for corn for seed from several different states, Kansas, Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota and even Mississippi and Georgia looking to Nebraska for seed.

In one county in the state where it was supposed there would be little trouble regarding seed corn, several samples tested showed only one ear which could be considered fit for planting. Large posters have been printed by the council to be sent out over the state calling attention to the conditions which exist and the need for concerted action so that all parts of the state can be supplied at the proper time.

Mayor Freeman of Auburn Dies in Lincoln Hospital

Auburn, Neb., Feb. 3.—(Special.)—Mayor W. P. Freeman of this city died at the Lincoln hospital after an illness of several months. He was taken to Lincoln two weeks ago for treatment but his condition did not improve.

He was a native of Kentucky, but came to this county in the early days with his parents and settled on a farm east of this city. As a young man he entered a store in this city as a clerk and later went into the real estate and insurance business which he has followed ever since.

He has served this city as mayor for four terms, was postmaster for eight years and secretary of the Auburn Commercial club for 14 years. He was always prominent in business circles. The remains will arrive from Lincoln this afternoon and will be escorted to the late home by members of the club as well as a large number of members of the Masonic lodge. The funeral services were held Sunday afternoon, conducted by the lodge and interment will be made in the Sheridan cemetery of this city.

Nonpartisan League Meeting At Kearney Called Off

Kearney, Neb., Feb. 3.—(Special.)—January was a hard month on Kearney coal piles. There were only five days in the month when the thermometer failed to touch the zero mark and on 11 days in the month it registered 20 degrees below or more. For one period of three consecutive days it remained at that level.

A nonpartisan league organizer, working in the northwest part of Buffalo county, was disappointed in gathering the farmers at a meeting he called last week. There was not enough of an attendance to call a meeting and the working plan was given up. There are persistent rumors in this county that the league members, whether as an organization or acting as individuals, are secretly opposed to the county farm demonstrator movement, which the government is interested in introducing everywhere. The council of defense is to take up this matter at its next regular meeting on Thursday.

War Savings Stamp Drive Brings \$25,000 in Nelson

Nelson, Neb., Feb. 2.—(Special.)—The War Savings Stamp drive has been on here this week, and notwithstanding the extreme cold weather which has made it difficult to canvass the rural districts, a good showing has been made. The sales for the county will aggregate about \$110,000 up to date. Nelson has sold \$25,000. The Nelson High School has taken \$1,500, an average per pupil of more than \$6.00.

The Nelson High School gave its annual opera last night at the assembly room, which was crowded to capacity. The play was "The Fortune Hunters," and the proceeds will go to the Red Cross fund.

Stolen Automobile Recovered Through Chance Arrest

Grand Island, Neb., Feb. 3.—(Special.)—C. W. Williams, arrested here by Chief of Police Mandeville, on suspicion was, after a thorough inquiry and a bit of detective work by the chief, found to be an automobile thief, who had brought a Haynes car to Grand Island from Kansas City. B. J. Casey, a Kansas City detective, arrived today and has taken Williams back to Missouri for trial. The owner of the car had preceded the detective and was highly gratified over the capture by the local authorities of the thief and the recovery of the car.

Auburn Commercial Club Holds Monthly Dinner

Auburn, Neb., Feb. 3.—(Special.)—The Auburn Commercial club held its monthly dinner at the Auburn hotel Friday. A large percentage of the members were in attendance and took part in the discussions. The club is making plans for another active year and has launched several projects that will be a great help to the town and community. The board of directors were announced by the president, as follows:

R. E. Cunningham for the ensuing year, as follows: C. B. Thompson, H. R. Howe, A. E. Souder, A. M. Engles, C. E. Eustice and E. M. Ketz.

WOMEN URGED TO ENLIST FOR THE RED CROSS

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
Lincoln, Neb., Feb. 3.—(Special.)—In an effort to speed up the enlistment of nurses from Nebraska, the woman's department of the state council of defense is sending out over the signatures of Miss Sarka Hrbkova, state chairman, and Miss Mary Cigil, chairman of the nurses' committee of the state, the following appeal:

"The national government is in sore need of Red Cross nurses, who are being daily sent to France or to the various army cantonments. Nebraska, under normal conditions, has but one nurse to every 10,000 inhabitants and since the departure of many nurses for the army camps this small 'army or protection' of 1,400 registered nurses has been very much depleted. It is urged on women who are graduates of high schools to enroll for a three-year course of training for the nursing profession as there will be great need of trained nurses for the next decade in Nebraska, even if the war should end tomorrow. There are but 20 accredited training hospitals in Nebraska in which young women wishing to render the greatest and most genuine patriotic service to their country may prepare themselves. Particulars may be obtained by writing directly to the nurses' bureau, woman's committee of the Nebraska state council of defense, at Lincoln."

Beatrice Man Bound Over For Failure to Pay Alimony

Beatrice, Neb., Feb. 3.—(Special.)—William Young was bound over to the district court yesterday by Judge Ellis for failing to pay alimony to his wife, Minnie, as ordered by Judge Pemberton of the district court some time ago.

John Wilhelm Eiben and Miss Elmira Viola Hawk were married Wednesday evening at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Hawk, at Wymore, Rev. Allen Chamberlain officiating. The young couple will make their home on a farm north of Wymore.

Roy Eastman, a Beatrice boy who enlisted some time ago in the United States army, has arrived "somewhere in France" with the expeditionary forces.

Attorneys were circulating petitions yesterday asking that Judge Pemberton adjourn the February term of the district court to a later date to be set by him for the reason that the attorneys are at present engaged in various branches of war work.

Word has been received here of the death of Mrs. Barbara McE, formerly of De Witt, which occurred at her home at Burkett, Neb., aged 73 years.

The divorce suit recently filed in the district court by Althea Perry against Vern T. Perry was dismissed yesterday at the request of the plaintiff.

George H. Shaffer, an old resident of De Witt and a civil war veteran, died in a hospital at Lincoln where he was taken for treatment. He lived alone at De Witt and had no relatives as far as known. He served during the civil war in Company L, Sixth Ohio cavalry.

A 6-year-old son of Mr. Harold and Mrs. Joseph Barr of Liberty, was kicked by a horse the other day and seriously injured. He was taken to Pawnee City for treatment.

Fire destroyed the farm house of Alex Bell near Diller with all of its contents. Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Renz, who were recently married, occupied the house, and they lost practically everything they had. Mr. Bell carried \$1,000 insurance on the building, and Mr. Renz had \$500 on his household goods. It is not known what caused the fire.

North Platte Loses Two Pioneer Citizens by Death

North Platte, Neb., Feb. 3.—(Special Telegram.)—R. D. Thompson, one of the best known pioneers of this city, was found dead in a chair in his home last evening by his nephew, John Baker. Mr. Thompson, who is in Plattsmouth visiting relatives, has been notified. Mr. Thompson served three years as postmaster here and spent several years in contracting and building. He constructed the flume across the south channel of the Platte river at O'Fallons for the irrigation ditch, which extended to Bignell. He was an active politician in this county.

Peter Mylander, a pioneer resident, died this morning after an illness of one week. He was born in Stockholm, Sweden, January 4, 1848, and came to this city in June, 1870, where he engaged extensively in cattle raising. He was married June 15, 1872, to Matilda Burgstrom, who died in 1899. On September 20, 1910, he was married to Mrs. Sarah Brooks, who, with five daughters and six sons of the first marriage, survive him. Funeral services will be held at the residence Monday morning.

Hammond Speaks at York On Experiences in France

York, Neb., Feb. 3.—(Special.)—Ross L. Hammond of Fremont delivered an address at the opera house Friday evening about what he saw along the battle front in France. Three registered men have failed to make out their questionnaires. The names are Morris Thompson and Frank Moore, York, and Pedro Atillano, Bodebale, Mex.

The German-American bank has changed its name to American State bank.

The body of Nerva Fouse arrived yesterday evening from Seattle, Wash. Funeral services will be held Sunday afternoon at the Christian church at Bluevale.

Pioneer Newspaper Man of Middle West Dies in Idaho

Sioux Falls, S. D., Feb. 3.—(Special.)—Information has reached the state of the death at Rigby, Id., of John W. McLaughlin, aged 66, a well known pioneer newspaper man of Iowa, Nebraska and South Dakota. He is survived by his widow and four sons. One of his sons is a resident of Ainsworth, Neb. Another is believed to be somewhere in France, having enlisted in the war service.

NEED WOMEN TO WORK ON SUPPLIES

Those Not Specialists Should Not Think of Going to Front; Better Employment May Be Found at Home.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
Lincoln, Neb., Feb. 3.—(Special.)—The state chairman of the woman's committee, Prof. Sarka Hrbkova, is in daily receipt of letters from patriotic women who want to give service and say they will "do anything," but do not specify any particular thing they can do well which would be of real use in winning the war. Many of these applicants when advised, go into some definite training for service but others are of the opinion that they should be made use of at once in the work of restoring France or Serbia. Some good advice to such women was recently spoken by Mrs. George Lathrop, president of the American Red Cross for French Wounded in Washington.

Must Be Specialist.
Mrs. Lathrop says:
"No American woman should go abroad to do war work unless she is sent for. Above all, the American woman who says she is willing to 'do anything' should not be permitted to go. If she cannot say 'I am a nurse, a typist, a telephone operator,' or that she has a specialty which is badly needed, let her stay here."

"The woman who does go ought to be willing to work every day from 9 to 6 o'clock. If she does not, she is simply consuming the food which would go to sustain a real worker. Every woman who goes should be strong, nervously and physically, be able to speak French, and she should be imbued with the idea that she is going for work, needed work, and not simply for a wonderful, soul-stirring experience.

"American women must do their utmost to rush Red Cross hospital supplies to France during the next three months. We can get them there now—later General Pershing may find it necessary to restrict tonnage to the transport of men and munitions. Get those hospital supplies there as soon as possible.

Need Hospital Supplies.
"It is not too much to say in my opinion that the fate of civilization is dependent upon it. Hospital supplies should now take precedence of everything else. Our first care must be the wounded men, the women and children must come after them. Men must win the war; but women can make it possible for the men to be provided with supplies which can enable them to go on fighting.

"French women can do the work of reconstructing France after the war, but the task of the moment is to be prepared for the drive which every one in France thinks Germany will make this spring.

Having American girls in France planting trees or milking French cows will win the war. France needs supplies, she has almost ceased manufacturing, but our factories are going and we should send them rubber and woolen goods her wounded need and must have if they are to be sent back to the trenches."

Coal Shortage and Burning Bridge Delay Railroad Trains

Grand Island, Neb., Feb. 3.—(Special.)—Trains on the Ord branch of the Union Pacific are again running more regularly and the burning of ice is also having less trouble in the north country. West of Ashton one train was snowbound during the week from 8 o'clock in the evening until 11 o'clock the next morning. Several of the men on board went to a farm house nearby for breakfast. When the snow plow finally came to relieve the train the coal supply had been reduced to a single ton and a half. This train was also delayed on account of the burning of a bridge near Palmer.

Funeral of Ben Sailors, Sixth Nebraska Vols.

Stella, Neb., Feb. 3.—(Special.)—The funeral of Ben Sailors of Company E, Sixth Nebraska volunteers, was held today at the residence of his father, southeast of Stella, near Barada. Burial was in the Harris cemetery at Barada. The father had gone to Camp Cody, Deming, N. M., but arrived there after the death of his son. He accompanied the body home and the dead was buried in the death of Judd Ankrom came with him. Death was due to pneumonia. This is the second death in the Falls City company that went to Camp Cody.

Pig Sells for \$111 for War Y. M. C. A. Benefit

Logan, Ia., Feb. 3.—(Special.)—At the close of the Tupper, Shepard-Stevens \$8,000 sale four miles west of Logan yesterday, "an educated pig" was offered for sale, the proceeds to be devoted to the war Y. M. C. A. Christian association cause. The pig brought \$111. William Stirtz, the last bidder, will put the pig up for sale along with "Betty Ross" goose offered by L. A. Wilson at the Red Cross sale here Tuesday evening at the Short Course building.

Charles Baugh Makes Liberal Bequests to Catholic Charities

Grand Island, Neb., Feb. 3.—(Special.)—Charles Baugh, late of Wood River, a bachelor, bequeathed the sum of \$5,000 to the Catholic church of Wood River, \$5,000 to Bishop Duffy to be used for charitable purposes, \$250 to a Cathedral fund, and \$250 for a Knights of Columbus hall, planned to be built in this city. Prior to his death he deeded his farm to a nephew.

Durocs Bring Big Prices At Logan Swine Sale

Logan, Ia., Feb. 3.—(Special.)—O. S. Larson pure bred Duroc sale here drew a large attendance from many states. R. J. Evans, editor of the Duroc Bulletin of Chicago, and R. J. Pfander, secretary of the Duroc association were present. Fifty-two Durocs sold for an average of \$333 Thursday.

Twenty-Seven Degrees Below Zero at Logan

Logan, Ia., Feb. 3.—(Special.)—Weather prognosticators have the sun came up with but few clouds in the sky. This morning the temperature registered a little above the sky. This morning the temperature was reported 27 below zero at the W. L. Stern home.

French Take German Officers And Machine in Raid on Paris

(By Associated Press.)
Chelles, France, Feb. 1.—The German airplane which was downed near here in the recent raid, was struck by a bullet from a machine gun on the airplane driven by the French aviator, Billard. The enemy airplane is not a bombing machine, strictly speaking, but more of the type of an escort. It, nevertheless, carried 12 bombs.

The engine was of 225 horsepower, and the machine carried two officers. In reply to questions of their captors they said that the raid had been carried out by four squadrons of seven machines each, which left a point northeast of Soissons and proceeded towards Paris, about 10 o'clock at night.

The enemy airplanes had just reached Noisy-Le-Sec when it was struck. The Germans at once realized that the machine had been winged and they hastened to retrace their course pursued by the fire of anti-aircraft guns.

When above Chelles, the raiders say that they found their machine was afloat, and they hastened to make a landing.

Two Officers Taken.
This version of the occurrence is questioned here and it is believed the Germans set fire to the machine. One military paper was found in their possession, and it was an order to "bombard Paris, excepting the hospitals and the schools."

Both of the officers are barons and one of them, who is only 20 years old, seemed heart-broken when taken prisoner. He said that his career had been ruined. The other, aged 25, on the contrary, appeared delighted that the war was over as far as he was concerned.

The older prisoner, as he followed the captors from the scene of the enforced landing, sang with only a slight accent the refrain from "Madelon," a favorite ballad among the French soldiers.

"Why," exclaimed one member of the escort, "he must have lived in Paris!"
"You're right!" replied the baron.

News of West Point And Cuming County

West Point, Neb., Feb. 3.—(Special.)—A competitive bidding by eight parties, W. T. S. Neligh of West Point was awarded the contract on his bid of \$3,808 for the construction of the state aid bridge across the Elkhorn at this place. The bids were opened and the contract awarded at a joint meeting of the county and state board, State Engineer Johnson being present. The highest bid was \$6,315, by the Beaty Co. of Blair.

Marriage licenses have been granted during the week to the following:—Anthony F. Healey of Blair, and Miss Anna Schulz of Plainview; Henry Tritton of Winger and Miss Zelma Silken of Platte. The last named couple were married by County Judge Dewald at the court house the same day, Saturday.

The local lodge of Independent Order of Odd Fellows has installed the following officers: Henry Bang, noble grand; Frank Rubin, vice-grand; W. K. Green, secretary; M. E. Kerl, treasurer; J. C. Hansen, R. S. N. G.; Fred Kloth, L. S. N. G.; Henry Schwirke, R. S. V. G.; Edward Vankins, L. S. V. G.; Leroy St. Clair, W. M. G.; Sexton, conductors Otto Kerl, chaplain; J. C. Soll, inside guard; Aime Boni, outside guard; Otto Kerl, trustee, three years.

Prof. L. E. Gunderson, superintendent of the schools at Potter, Neb., and Miss Eva C. Kerl, kindergarten teacher of the West Point schools, were married at Council Bluffs on Saturday. Prof. Gunderson is about to enter military service. He is a graduate of the Pierre S. D. High school, and the bride a graduate of the West Point High. Both are graduates of the Kearney Normal school. She is the only daughter of M. E. Kerl, former mayor of this city. Her husband will join the army in a short time.

Dr. Summers of the Local Board, has examined 90 men for the draft, in class 1, and will continue the examinations next week.

William Geu and Miss Lera Knori, of this county were united in marriage at a German Lutheran church in Bismarck township, by the pastor, Rev. F. L. Traskow, on Thursday. They will make their home on the old Geu farm, northwest of this city. They are the children of pioneer settlers.

The village of Bancroft in this county has organized a strong company of Home Guards. Fred Waite was chosen captain, G. Arthur Bailey, first lieutenant and Herbert Basinger, second lieutenant. All the four towns in Cuming county now have strong organizations of Home Guards.

The marriage of Lawrence Johnson and Miss Hattie Stoley of Cedar Bluffs was solemnized by Judge Wintersteen at Fernont, this week. The groom is a former West Point citizen. He expects to enter the army shortly.

Parochial School Drops Study of German Language

Stella, Neb., Feb. 3.—(Special.)—In response to a request from the State Council of Defense, those in charge of the German parochial school in Ohio township near Falls City have dropped the study of German. The school will be continued, but will teach nothing but English. Heretofore about two-thirds of the time had been devoted to the English. D. H. Weber, county superintendent of public instruction, visits the parochial as well as the public schools of the county. A recent visit to this particular parochial school he found the school room appropriately decorated with red, white and blue bunting and the children were wearing food pledge buttons. A fine flag was on the school ground as prescribed by law. C. Merz is the teacher.

Minden High School Closes From Fuel Shortage

Minden, Neb., Feb. 3.—(Special.)—There was no school at the Minden High school Friday forenoon owing to inability to heat the rooms above 50 degrees.

Positively the best and fastest basket ball game in the history of the Minden High school was played here last night, the Kearney High quintet being the opposing team. The score was close throughout the game, the first half ending in a 17 to 17 tie. The Purple and White gallants came back stronger in the last half, ending the game with a victory for the locals, 33 to 30.

Ma warms em up for breakfast and Gee, they're good! POST TOASTIES MADE OF CORN says Bobby



NEBRASKA SUPREME COURT DECISIONS

Opinions and Rulings Handed Down in Various Cases Heard by State High Tribunal.

The following are rulings on miscellaneous motions and stipulations in the supreme court of the state of Nebraska, recently handed down.

The following are rulings on miscellaneous motions and stipulations in the supreme court of Nebraska, January 21, 22, 23, 24 and 25:
1918—Webster against Webster. Motion for order citing appellant to appear and show cause why he should not be punished for contempt and why judgment should not be entered against him overruled. Appeal dismissed unless appellant comply with former order of this court as to attorney's fees and suit money within 10 days.

2017—Thomas against Otis Elevator Company. Motion for rehearing upon order overruling the motion for leave to file additional transcript sustained; leave given appellant to file additional transcript.
2046—Blahop against Katten. Motion to quash bill of exceptions sustained; supersedeas bond filed by Lee-Cott Anderson Hardware company, quashed.
1887—McClintock against McClintock. Motion for leave to file instanter and for continuance, sustained; appellant given leave to file briefs instanter; appellee given 10 days to file briefs; to serve briefs; briefs of both parties to be taxed to appellant. Cause continued and set for hearing at session of court commencing March 4, 1918.

13747—Swanback against Sovereign camp, Woodmen of the World. Motion for order directing taxing of costs in district court overruled; mandate to issue forthwith.
2018—Miles against Lampe. Motion to dismiss appeal, sustained; appeal dismissed at cost of appellant.
2014—Baker against Heating. Upon motion for an order directing taxation of costs for brief of appellee, appellee allowed to file brief, taxing of costs to be determined with merits of case.
1947—Nathan against Bissal. Motion to continue, sustained; cause continued and set for hearing at session of court commencing March 4, 1918.

2023—Mann against Automobile Ins. Co. Motion to quash bill of exceptions, sustained.
1912—Samuels against Keenly. Dismissal allowed; appeal dismissed at costs of appellant; mandate to issue forthwith.
1972—Nathan against Nathan. On application of appellant, mandate to issue instanter, subject to recall if motion for rehearing is filed.

1980—Carter against Gahagan. On court's motion, cause continued and set for hearing at session of court commencing February 25, 1918, to serve briefs; appeal given until April 1, 1918, to serve brief.
2048—Ewings Lake Ranch Co. against Cumber. Stipulation allowed; rule day extended to January 29, 1918.
2002—Byrne against City of Ashland. Dismissal allowed; appeal dismissed at cost of appellant; mandate to issue forthwith.
1970—New-Schwartz-Posner, Co. against Davis & Fremont. Stipulation allowed; cause continued to session of court commencing February 4, 1918.
1010—Roper against Pryor. Motion allowed.

1918—Dunn against Dixon County. In the supreme court of the state of Nebraska the following findings were handed down January 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 1918:
On recommendation of the Bar commission, Harry Silverman admitted to practice.
The following are rulings on miscellaneous motions and stipulations:
1912—Sturck against City of Nathan. Affirmed; affirm of writ of habeas corpus.
1925—Tattle against Sterling Realty Company. Affirmed for want of briefs.
1911—Fagan against Calliet. Motion of appellee for issuance of mandate forthwith, overruled.

Overdrafts Still Called Assets by State Treasurer

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
Lincoln, Neb., Feb. 3.—(Special.)—Overdrafts in several of the state funds are still counted as assets in the report of the state treasurer made yesterday, though the amount is some smaller than last month, the report showing on January 31 as \$374,942.30. \$268 added to the cash on hand and in banks of \$564,281.29, warrants on hand as cash of \$4,500 and bonds on hand as cash of \$5,000, makes a total balance in the treasury of \$1,009,160.59.

The balance in the treasury at the close of business the month before was \$1,278,567.65. Receipts for January amounted to \$652,330.20 and the disbursements \$891,663.41. Trust funds invested amount to \$10,275,306.36.

Helphs County Man Killed.

Elm Creek, Neb., Feb. 3.—(Special Telegram.)—Clifford Johnson, son of Peter Johnson of Phelps county, was killed by a Union Pacific train No. 1 at noon today. He was 21 years old. He had loaded stock for Omaha and was walking to the station.

Soldiers' Home Notes.

Grand Island, Feb. 3.—Mc and Mrs. Dick Wyman, who have been enjoying in California for the past three months, have returned to their home in Grand Island, Neb. They are enjoying the best of health at present and are apparently enjoying themselves to the utmost.

Mrs. Johanna Lynch and Mrs. Mary Wilson were transferred from the convalescent hospital to the west hospital yesterday, by order of the Home physician.

Funeral services of the late Sarah M. Peper were held on Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home chapel. Rev. Mr. Hosman, of the First Methodist Episcopal church of Grand Island, officiated. The remains were laid to rest in the Home cemetery. Her husband is at present reported as being very sick in the west hospital.

Mr. Less Peper, of Sterling, Colo., a nephew of Mr. Peper of West Lawn, is visiting with the latter for a short time. He recently underwent an operation for a tumor of the brain which has left him in total blindness.

The condition of Mrs. Stone, in cottage at Burdick, this morning reported by the attending physician, Dr. Pugh, as being very unfavorable. Her pulse has weakened and she spent a rather restless night. Her daughter, Mrs. Melroe, is at present nowhere in Montana and it has been impossible to reach her by wire.

A letter from Clarence Jones, who at present is at the front somewhere in France, has just been received by his mother at Burdick. The letter, written on January 7, speaks of having just received his Christmas presents and of the splendid Christmas enjoyed by the troops through the kindness of friends and relatives in the United States. He also wondered at the immense supply of turkeys from this country. He speaks highly of the noble work the Red Cross is doing and says that when a representative of that organization is seen she is cheered by every soldier on the line. One thing Mr. Jones remarked which was most commendable was that a man would never reach the front of a woman until this war was over.

Sutherland Free Lance Bought by W. M. Dunn

(Special.)—The Sutherland Free Lance, one of the pioneer newspapers of Lincoln county, has been sold to W. M. Dunn, who has been publishing the Tryon Graphic. C. M. Reynolds has been engaged in the publication of the Free Lance for nearly 15 years, and G. B. Martin has been associated with him in the management of the paper for four years.

Fifty-Four Thousand Auto Licenses This Year

Lincoln, Feb. 3.—(Special.)—Cash receipts in the office of Secretary of State Pool for the month of January exceeded the receipts for the same month of last year by \$2,911.06, the total cash collections being \$8,131.97. During the month of January the secretary issued 38,500 automobile plates on renewals and 8,950 plates for new automobiles. This makes a total of 54,300 plates issued for 1918.

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They wove the fabric of the West into the greater economic and industrial fabric of the nation, and very soon the West, which they opened up to civilization, became essential to the economic well-being of Europe as well as America.

And now, when the very life of all free nations depends upon the prompt and efficient distribution of those vast supplies of food and material which the West so lavishly produces—now, when it is not too much to say that the continuance of self-government in this as well as in the European democracies depends upon the unrestricted flow of foodstuffs, and the sterner materials of war to our various seaports and supply depots—the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway Company, in common with other transportation systems, accepts, with solemn pride, the great responsibility of giving itself and its full measure of experience, equipment and loyal service to the greatest cause in history.

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